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Managing Director, Hongkong, China.

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### NEW GOODS.

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# THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Auctions.



### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 92.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the BURGESS, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1897, at 4 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Hongkong, 13th March, 1897.

## To-day's Advertisements.

### THEATRE ROYAL.

SOCIETY'S REUNIONS  
and  
"Stand Back!" "Stand Back!"  
"Stand Back!"  
"Don't crush that boy to death."  
Mind the Child."

Keep your elbow out of my eye.

The above are a few of the expressions used on Saturday night among the surging crowd outside the City Hall fighting their way in to see

### HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY

The DONATORS OF MIRTH and MUSIC.

A FACT.  
Never before has such success been so surely and swiftly secured.  
Never before has such satisfaction been acknowledged by one and all.  
Never before has such a Warm Welcome been accorded to any Company.

### ELECTRIC SUCCESSES

And screams upon screams of laughter at our new programme.

A GREAT DEMONSTRATION  
Accorded by a packed house on Saturday night without the usual and amateur entertainment.

### AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT!

THIS (MONDAY) EVENING

Last time in Hongkong of the present

MONSTER BILL OF NOVELTIES.

PRICES - \$3, \$2 & 1. Box plan at Mr. W. RONINSON'S Music Depot. Sailing hours 9.10.

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### SPECIAL NOTICE.

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VICE-REGAL COMMAND NIGHT  
Under the immediate patronage and presence of H.E. THE GOVERNOR

SIR W. R. ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.

And a large party from Government House

COMPLETE CHANGE OF

PROGRAMME.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897.

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## To-day's Advertisements.

### NOTICE.

DURING My Temporary ABSENCE from the COLONY Mr. D. MACDONALD has been appointed Acting ENGINEER SURVEYOR for the 'BUREAU'.

JOHN W. KINGHORN.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897.

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FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED.

CUN YAM SHAN VILLA, ROBINSON ROAD, CORNER OF PAEL ST., opposite 'The Bungalow.'

From or after 15th April, 1897.

Apply at House, or to

JOHN LEEM, Architect,  
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Hongkong, March 29, 1897.

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INFORMATION has been Received from THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the 5th to 15th April, 1897 (SUNDAYS excepted), between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. DAILY, as follows:-

From Balches in Westerly and North-westerly directions.

From Lyemun in Easterly and North-easterly directions.

All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

The inhabitants of the Houses near Balches, are warned to keep their glass windows open during the practice, and all people working in the vicinity of Balches' Battery are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by gunners placed on sentry for the purpose.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

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Quatrefoil, Bowed, OVERMANTLES,  
FANCY TEA and WRITING TABLES, PICTURES,  
UNIFORMS, ETC.

HANDSOMELY CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD OPIUM-STAND, and PAIR of FINE BLACKWOOD MARBLETOP OVAL TABLES, ETC., ETC.

A FINE LOT of JAPANESE IVORY CARVINGS and CLOISONNÉ.

A FINE DOUBLE BARREL CENTRAL FIRE GUN, TOP LEVER ACTION, in CASE, COMPLIMENTED by W. WATSON, of 4, PAUL MALL, LONDON, lately NEW, SEVERAL FIRE-SPRING GUNS, SHOOTING GEAR and ARMS, ETC.

ONE PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERA, with its FULL SET.

TEAK SIDEBOARD, with BEVELLED GLASS, EXTRAVAGANT DINING TABLE MOROCCO COVERED DINING CHAIRS, VIENNA CHAIRS, DINER WAGONS, ETC., PANTRY REQUIREMENTS, ETC.

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ONE BRASS BEESTEAD, several IRON and BRASS-MOUNTED BEESTEADS and FITTINGS, MARBLETOP WARDROBES and DRIPPING TABLES, WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS DOORS and PLAIN, and SEVERAL OTHER BEDROOM FURNITURE and BATH ROOM REQUIREMENTS, ETC., ETC.

ONE PATENT ENGLISH MANOIL.

ONE AMERICAN PNEUMATIC THIMBLE, NEARLY NEW, and SEVERAL OTHER EFFECTS.

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THE MUSICAL OEAR of the WARDROBE MUS. of H.M.S. 'CENTURION' CONFIRMING ELECTRICAL PLATE, CLOTHES, TABLE NAPERY, GLASS and CLOCHERIE, WARE, PARITY REQUISITES, COOKING UTENSILS, ETC.

Also,

ONE COTTAGE PIANO in SOLID MAHOGANY CASE, BUILT for the CLIMATE by JOHN BRINSMELD and Sons, in FIRST-CLASS CONDITION.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale. On view from Friday, the 2nd April.

TERMS of SALE:- As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Anteater.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897.

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FROM SEATTLE, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Co.'s Steamship 'Wakasawa'

arrived at the above Ports, consignees of cargo are requested to take immediate delivery of their goods ex-ships from alongside. Any cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897.

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FOR KOBE.

The Co.'s Steamship 'Changhsia'

Captain WILLIAMS, will be despatched as above at 2 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 1st April.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

H.E. Wu Ting Fang landed at Nagasaki, and was entertained with his suite at the Chinese Consulate.

H.M.S. Undaunted has left Nagasaki for Hongkong. The dragon boats to-morrow, and leaves for the north on Thursday.

THERE were 152 European and 2,105 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 25th March.

DR. YERIN has been promoted to the rank of Officer of the Legion of Honour (exceptional title). This honour is conferred on the young savant for his bacteriological researches.

A DETACHMENT of Straits Police goes to London to take part in the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. It is reported that Colonel R. S. F. Walker will command.

The Bureau of Mines for the Province of Hunan has issued an important proclamation bearing upon the opening of mines in that Province. It is an eminent Chinese document.

SIR J. A. Swettenham, Colonial Secretary to the Straits Government, has gone home on leave. It is believed in Singapore that he will be appointed Colonial Secretary at Ceylon in succession to Sir Noel Walker.

The Honorary Treasurer of the Indian Famine Relief Fund begs to acknowledge receipt of the undernoted subscriptions—  
Already acknowledged. . . . . 346,516.53  
Banquo de Indo-China . . . . . 500.  
St. John's Lodge . . . . . 50.  
\$49,169.53

THE Nagasaki Shipping List of March 20 stated:—“Bob” Fitzsimmons, the Australian champion fighter, boxed and defeated Jim Corbett, the World’s champion, at Carson City, Nevada, on St. Patrick’s day. The fight lasted fourteen rounds. Fitzsimmons is a Cornishman by birth.

THE Lao Kung Mow Cotton Spinning Factory at Shanghai commenced work on the 22nd inst., Mrs. Dugdale and Mrs. Anderson formally christening the two engines ‘Isabella’ and ‘Sophie’ respectively, and the two fair god-mothers having proposed ‘proportion’ to their charges the toasts were enthusiastically drunk.

THE N.C. Daily News of the 25th March says:—At a meeting held yesterday of the Directors of the Imperial Bank of China, the Power of Attorney to Mr. A. W. Maitland as Acting Chief Manager was duly signed. We learn also that the unaliotted portion of the Capital, £10,500,000, has been over-subscribed. Messrs. Johnson, Stokes, and Master have been appointed solicitors to the new Bank.

THE Jubilee Celebration Committee have decided to ask the Governor to fix the 21st and 22nd of June for the public holidays and celebrations in Penang.

THE first-class twin-screw cruiser Royal Arthur, Captain R. Hall, sailed from Portsmouth on 22nd Feb., for Gibraltar, en route to Hongkong with relief crews for the China stations.

The following were the placed riders at the Foochow Races:—  
1st 2nd 3rd  
Mr Oswald ..... 0 2 2  
Capt. Burney ..... 4 4 3  
Mr Edgar ..... 4 2 2  
Capt. Lush ..... 1 6 3  
Mr Queen ..... 0 1 0  
15 15 12

Sir Claude and Lady Macdonald, accompanied by Messrs. Grosvenor and Tousey, arrived at Tientsin from Peking on 25th Feb., for崇左 on the 18th inst. His Excellency left for Chungking by the Lien-shing last evening. H.M.S. *Nevades* has been ordered by the Admiralty to transfer Sir Claude and Lady Macdonald and suite to Souli.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Chang Chih-hsin as Consul-General of China at Singapore; Mr. Arakawa Minjo, Jerok, as Consul at London; Mr. Shimizu Seizaburo, Jushichii, as Consul of Japan at Hongkong; Don Emilio de Motta y Ortiz, and Don Francisco de A. Caballero y Medina, as Vice-Consuls of Spain at Singapore and Hongkong, respectively; and Mr. Maximilian Kutschera as Vice-Consul of Austria-Hungary at Hongkong.

\*In order to expedite the completion for sea of the *Poeroy*, cruiser, which is shortly to be commissioned at Portsmouth by Captain the Hon. Holwood Lambton, for service on the China Station, the men employed on her were on 20th Feb., directed to remain till further orders.

The opening out of the vessel preparatory to her being taken over from the contractors was completed on 20th Feb., and the vessel was passed into the dockyard for completion.

THE arrival in New York of the sailing ship *T. F. Dales* after a voyage of over 280 days from Hongkong has satisfactorily solved what was being generally regarded in the shipping world as another tragic mystery of the sea. Messrs. Carlwick & Co., the Shanghai agents, yesterday (March 24) received a telegram stating that the ship had arrived at New York in distress, and full details of the prolonged voyage will be awaited with interest. The ship, 1,897 tons, was commanded by Captain Reed, and left Shanghai on the 17th of May last, for Hongkong, and sailed from there on the 4th of July for New York. Nothing more was heard of her until her arrival in New York, and the gravity of her position is indicated by the high premium at which she stood in the list of overdues and missing vessels. On the 27th of January she was re-insured at 40 guineas premium, and a fortnight later at 60 guineas.—N.Y. Daily News.

LOVELY woman is the Sugar,  
Sweets the poor men eat.  
Marmalade is like hot water,  
Love is like a cup of tea.

Do you really mistakes have? asked a gentlewoman as he stepped into a chemist. Yes, sir, we do if the patient is still alive, replied the pharmacist.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE “CHINA MAIL.”]

LONDON, 26th March, 1897.

INDISPOSITION OF LORD SALISBURY.

Lord Salisbury had gone to the Riviera to recuperate after an attack of influenza.

## GREECE AND THE POWERS.

Greece has presented a fresh note to the Powers, in which she protests against their action in regard to Crete and holds them answerable for the results.

## CAPTURE OF GREEK REINFORCEMENTS FOR CRETE.

An Austrian cruiser has captured a Greek steamer and a sailing ship which were carrying volunteers and munitions to Crete.

(Via Australia).

## NAVAL WORKS AT HONGKONG.

LONDON, March 25.  
The Admiralty has authorised the expenditure of £1,000,000 at Hongkong, with the view of making the port a first-class naval base.

## THE GOVERNORSHIP OF FIJI.

APPOINTMENT OF SIR GEORGE O'BRIEN.

LONDON, March 25.  
Sir George Thomas Michael O’Brien, K.C.M.G., formerly Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, has been appointed to succeed the late Sir J. B. Thurston as Governor of Fiji and High Commissioner for the Western Pacific.

(Le Courier d’Alphonse)

## WRECK OF AN ATLANTIC LINER.

PARIS, March 16.  
The Atlantic liner *Saint Nazaire* was lost on the voyage from New York to Martinique. Seventy-six persons were drowned, of whom six only were passengers.

## THE AUSTRIAN EMPEROR.

PARIS, March 20.  
The Emperor of Austria has returned to Vienna from Mentone.

## BOLSTERING UP THE UNSPEAKABLE.

LORD Salisbury declared in the House of Lords the desire of all the Powers to maintain the integrity of the Ottoman Empire.

## THE CREtan AFFAIR.

PARIS, March 21.  
The Greek warships have left Canosa and gone to Cerigo.

## IT IS STATED THAT THE BLOCKADE OF GREECE IS INEFFECTUAL IN RESTRAINING THE GREEKS.

THE ITALIAN ELECTIONS.

PARIS, March 22.  
The elections have taken place in Italy. The constitution of the Chamber will be very slightly changed.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Sir John Carrington, Chief Justice).

Monday, March 26.

MESSES JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. V. ASIA MAHOMED ALI SHIRAZI.

His Lordship delivered judgment to-day in the case in which Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. as duly-authorized agents in Hongkong for the Imperial Bank of Persia, sued for the sum of £7,264.04 on two bills of exchange.

Mr. J. F. Francis and Mr. H. B. Pollock (constructed by Messrs. Dibson and Hastings) conducted the case.

AT the institution of the proceedings the defendant said he had for many years carried on business in Hongkong as an opium merchant, and had from time to time purchased large quantities of raw opium from Persia. During the six years previously he had purchased the opium through an agent in Shiraz, Persia, named Mohamed Reza, whose custom was to ship the opium through the Imperial Bank of Persia. He admitted having signed the documents, but had received no consideration for signing the same.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, with costs which include the costs of the last hearing, and interest on the principle at the rate of eight per cent. from the 6th June, 1896, when the writ was issued.

## HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Annual Dinner of the Hongkong F.C. was held on Saturday evening last at the Hongkong Club, and upwards of fifty members and guests were present.

The Hon. J. Stewart Lockhart, President of the Club, was in the chair. During the evening the President announced that for especially useful play in the Rugby game, special cups were to be presented to Lieut.-Col. A. D. Grayson, R.A., Mr. D. Woods, R.I.C., C. W. Gordon, W.Y.R., and Mr. A. C. Fidday. For specially good play in the Fidday Cup, the following were to be presented to Messrs. H. W. Looker (Capt. H. Pinckney) and E. H. Bowley.—A nomination was also made to Mr. F. Browne as a mark of appreciation on the part of the members for his services to the Club as Honorary Secretary for he past three years. The evening was most successful and the speeches and songs contributed to make the function an unusually interesting and pleasant character.

The programme was as follows:—

Toast ..... The Queen.

Song ..... Lieut. A. D. H. Grayson, R.A.

Toast ..... The Hongkong Football Club.

Proposed by Commander Sir R. K. Arbuthnott, R.N.

Responder—Mr. H. W. Looker.

Capt. Asso.

Song ..... Mr. D. K. Slinian.

Toast ..... Other Football Clubs in Hongkong.

Proposed by the Chairman.

Responders—Mr. J. Steel, H.M.S. Centurion.

Lieut. T. N. Howard, W.Y.R.

Song ..... Mr. C. H. Grace.

Toast ..... Mr. G. H. Peacock, Capt. Right.

Responders—Lieut. H. L. Sheldford, R.N.

Mr. J. McRae.

Song ..... Lieut. A. D. H. Grayson, R.A.

Toast ..... The Chairman.

Proposed by Mr. E. F. Mackay.

God save the Queen.

PEDESTER.

A TELEGRAM to the Soerabaja Headpost dated Feb. 27 stated that Java sugar was quoted at 11s. 3d. on the English coast.

The market demand is stagnant owing probably to the extension of the beter-buatan.

According to the Soerabaja Headpost, there have been no transactions yet at Soerabaja for the new sugar crop.

In mid-Java, however, two well-known manufacturers have sold 10,000 pikul and 15,000 pikul No. 18 at 1s. 7d. Each sugar delivery at Soerabaja for Hongkong 10,000 pikul cost 1s. 7d. per pikul.

30 NEW PIKULS just arrived; best matern.

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS AND THE JUBILEE.

To the Editor of the “CHINA MAIL.”

Hongkong, March 20.

SIR,—Your morning contemporary has an editorial note published this day of sending a detachment of volunteers to London, “the number of whom pays”—to take part in the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations, and estimates that the Corps consists, for the most part, of young men recently out from England. In a recent nominal roll of the Corps, I find that about 60 men have been born in Hongkong or China, and of those about 30 have never seen England. Surely, then, the Hongkong Volunteer Corps is as much a “local product” as the Hongkong Companies of the R.A., which are composed of Sikhs and Mahomedans, or the Hongkong Regiment, which I believe is recruited to a considerable extent among Afghans and Pathans from the extreme north of India. How many of the Chinese Submariner Miners and *lukungs* were born in the Colony or are subjects of Her most Gracious Majesty? Not 6 per cent.

With regard to the nucleus of the Hongkong V.C. who were not born in China, it is difficult to ascertain exactly how many years were spent in the Colony, and to amount to nearly 14 years per man for the officers and non-commissioned officers only, which should exempt them at any rate from the gratuity description of “young men recently out from England.” I would also remind your morning contemporary that volunteering in Hongkong is not all “Cross and Blackwell’s strawberry jam,” as he will find out if he lends a hand at hauling the ropes on Wednesday evening on the Brigade Parade Ground.

Surely H. E. the Governor, who is the Hon. Hon. Col. of the H.E.V.C., would like to see his regiment represented in Her Majesty’s escort on the joyful occasion?

We should like to see many more of the young men out from England encouraged to join the Corps instead of cold water being thrown on the movement.—Yours,

A VETERAN.

(London, March 25.)

The Admiralty has authorised the expenditure of £1,000,000 at Hongkong, with the view of making the port a first-class naval base.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE MEMO-

## RIAL.

The following letter has been forwarded to the Diamond Jubilee Celebration Committee:—

Hongkong, 29th March, 1897.

Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Hon. Secretary.

Dear Sir,—In response to the invitation of your Committee for suggestions as to what form the Permanent Memorial to Her Majesty should take in this Colony I beg to offer the following:—

1. Finish the Jubilee Statue of Her Majesty.

To do this I suggest that the bronze statue should be gilded and as an instance of a bronze statue under a canopy being gilded I refer you to the Albert Memorial.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

## Notices to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Merita*, Captain Hedges, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice of the contrary is given before 3 p.m. To day.

Any cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMENS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1897. 622

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Chelyra*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon of the 27th Instant, will be landed into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 613

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE S.S. *Asoma*, Captain O. Rowsewell, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed at the Godowns into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th Instant, at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by SHEWAN, TOME'S & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 607

INSURANCES.

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714.)

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000. CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000. TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,000,000. TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £350,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Society in Hongkong, are prepared to issue Policies against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 1421

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TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1895, £12,430,151.

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Hongkong, July 23, 1897. 1547

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The Co.'s Steamship *Nanac*.

Captain HALL, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 27, 1897. 634

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Kinsun Maru*.

Captain THOMPSON, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 2nd April, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 527

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM TO SHANGHAI & KOBE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Vindictive*.

Captain C. BELLEN, will leave for the above Places on April and Next.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1897. 629

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL.

The British Steamship *Breamshire*.

Captain PEARLES, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 3rd April.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME'S & Co.

Hongkong, March 6, 1897. 457

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOUBARAYA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Curzon*.

Capt. BRILDER, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th April, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 25, 1897. 611

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Ixion*.

Captain NISHI, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th April.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1897. 621

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

Sachsen..... Tuesday... | March 30.

Bayern..... | Tuesday... | April 27.

Prinz Heinrich..... | May 25.

TO MORROW, the 30th day of March, 1897, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *SACHSEN*, Captain SUMER, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and GARGO, will leave this port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 27th March, 1897, at 9 a.m., which vessel arrives on board until 8 p.m., on MONDAY, the 29th March, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 29th March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than £2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Fest Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewards.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELOHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 29, 1897. 523

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR OEBU.

The Co.'s Steamship *Taiwan*.

Captain PEACE, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1897. 600

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

Olympia..... | Saturday... | April 3.

Brauner.... | 3,601 | Tuesday... | May 11.

Taon..... | 2,549 | Tuesday... | June 26.

Victoria.... | 3,167 | Tuesday... | June 8.

Olympia.... | 2,603 | Tuesday... | June 29.

Brauner.... | 3,601 | Tuesday... | July 27.

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Peru (via Shanghai),

Nagasaki, Korea (via Shantung),

Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu.

Portugal (via Nagasaki),

Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu.

China (via Nagasaki),

Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu.

Peru (via Nagasaki),

Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu.

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Bank of China & Japan, Limited \$34,000 \$2 b. 5 nom.

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Canton Insurance Office, Co., Ltd. 10,000 \$2 26.5 \$187.5, sellers

China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. 24,000 \$2 83.33 \$27.5, sellers

North-China Insurance Co., Ltd. 6,000 \$2 15.4 25.15, sellers

Straits Insurance Co., Ltd. 30,000 \$2 10.8 20.19, ex div.

Union Insurance Society, Ltd. 10,000 \$2 25.0 50.235, sales and sellers

Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd. 8,000 \$2 100.0 80.163, sellers

VINE INSURANCES.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 20,000 \$2 100.0 20.102, sellers

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 5,000 \$2 25.0 50.360, buyers

DOCS.—

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. 12,500 \$2 125 all 24.5 % prem. = \$431.25 (sellers)

STEAMBOATS.

China and Madras S. Co., Ltd. 5,000 \$2 50 all 27.1, ex div.

Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd. 20,000 \$2 80 all 26.0, ex div., sellers

H.K. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd. 80,000 \$2 15.8 15.334, sellers

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China Sugar Company, Limited 20,000 \$2 100 all 2136, ex div.

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Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited 60,000 \$2 100 \$3 50.877

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Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin, 12,000 \$200 500 all 375

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" preference shares 75,000 \$2 1 all 18.20, sellers

Raub Asat. Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 100,000 \$2 5.8 25.0 51.172, sales

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China-Borneo Company, Ltd. 7,000 \$2 6.0 all 55 nom.

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited, in lit. 6,000 \$2 6.0 all 55 nom.

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